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## A PROCLAMATION.

ANNE R.

*WHereas the Commons of* Great Britain *in this preſent Parliament aſſembled, have by their Humble Addreſs beſought Us, That We would be Graciouſly Pleaſed to Iſſue forth Our Royal Proclamation, Requiring all Juſtices of the Peace, Magiſtrates, and other Officers, to uſe their utmoſt Endeavours, and by frequent Meetings for that Purpoſe, ſtrictly to put in Execution the Act made in this preſent Seſſions of Parliament, For the better Recruiting Our Land-Forces and the Marines, for the Service of the Year 1708: We have therefore thought fit, by and with the Advice of Our Privy-Council, and in purſuance of the ſaid Addreſs, to Iſſue forth this Our Royal Proclamation, hereby ſtrictly Charging and Commanding all and every the ſeveral and reſpective Juſtices of the Peace of every County, Riding, Liberty and Place, within this Our Kingdom of* Great Britain, *and every Mayor and other Head Officer and Officers of any City or Town-Corporate within this Realm, who are Qualify'd by the above-mention'd Act to put the ſame in Execution, That they do for that Purpoſe frequently Meet in ſuch manner as the ſaid Act does preſcribe, and do every thing from time to time that the ſaid Act does Authorize and Impower them to do, for the better Recruiting Our ſaid Land-Forces and the Marines. And we do hereby further, at the Deſire of Our ſaid Commons, ſtrictly Charge and Command all Officers of Our ſaid Forces in all Parts of* Great Britain, *not to Refuſe to Receive and Liſt any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall be any way fit for Our Service, and ſhall either Offer themſelves, or be brought to them for that Purpoſe. And We do by this Our Proclamation likewiſe declare, That We will ſhew Our utmoſt Diſpleaſure to ſuch Officers as ſhall, for Mony or other Pretence, Diſmiſs any Perſon ſo Liſted, or ſhall otherwiſe Neglect, or be Wanting in their Duty.*

Given at our Court at St. *James's* the First Day of *April*, 1708. In the Seventh Year of our Reign.

God ſave the QUEEN.

*St. James's, April 6.* The following Addreſſes have been preſented to Her Majeſty.

*To the* QUEEN's *moſt Excellent Majeſty.*

*The humble Addreſs of the High Sheriff, Grand Jury, Deputy-Lieutenants, Juſtices of the Peace, and Gentlemen of your County-Palatine of* Lancaſter, *met together at the Aſſizes held at* Lancaſter, *the 24th Day of* March, *in the 7th Year of your Reign; preſented to Her Majeſty by the Right Honourable the Earl of* Derby, *Lord Lieutenant and* Cuſtos Rotulorum *of the ſaid County-Palatine of* Lancaſter.

WE your Majeſty's dutiful Subjects humbly beg leave, in this time of Trial, to repeat the Aſſurances we have formerly given of our firm Allegiance and Fidelity to your Majeſty, as the rightful Sovereign of theſe Kingdoms.

We from our Hearts deteſt the Invaſion of Your Dominions by a Popiſh Pretender, ſupported by *French* Force, and follow'd by *Iriſh* Papiſts, and other diſaffected Perſons, deſperate in their Fortunes, and mercileſs in their Reſentments.

We aſſure your Majeſty, that no Danger ſhall diſcourage, no Difference divide us from our Duty, but that we will unanimouſly and heartily, in our ſeveral Capacities, endeavour the Peace of your County, and will, with our Lives and Fortunes, defend and ſupport your Majeſty's Perſon and Government, and the Proteſtant Succeſſion as by Law eſtabliſh'd, againſt all Oppoſers whatſoever.

*To the* QUEEN.

*The humble Addreſs of the Noblemen, Gentlemen, and others, the Heritors, in the Shire of* Eaſt-Lothian, *at a Meeting held at* Hadingtown, *upon Monday the 29th Day of* March, 1708: *preſented to Her Majeſty by the Marquiſs of* Tweeddale.

*May it pleaſe Your Majeſty,*

WE your Majeſty's moſt faithful and obedient Subjects, return our moſt humble Thanks to your Majeſty, for your great Care of us in this Juncture, which timely appear'd in the ſeaſonable coming up of Sir *George Bing* with the Fleet, when the Pretender to your Crown, with his Supporters, *French* and *Iriſh* Papiſts, avowed Enemies to our Religion and Liberties, were ready to have landed; and the Troops your Majeſty has order'd for our Aſſiſtance, will, we hope, with the bleſſing of God upon your Majeſty's wiſe Conduct, fruſtrate the Deſigns of your Enemies to diſturb the Peace and Quiet of your Government.

We look on it as our indiſpenſible Duty, at this time to give your Majeſty renewed Aſſurances of our firm Reſolution to ſtand by your Majeſty, in Defence of your Royal Perſon and undoubted Right to the Crown, and the Proteſtant Succeſſion, with our Lives and Fortunes, againſt the Pretender and all his Abettors: Let us reckon this Deliverance of the Nation from being a Field of Blood among the Glories of your Majeſty's Reign; and we cannot but own it to be a true Effect of the happy Union of the two Kingdoms, which we hope ſhall be indeared to your People, by its being made more intire and compleat; and this begun Advantage will be follow'd by others, when it's ſeen your Majeſty diſcountenances all Whiſpers to the Prejudice of your faithful Servants, and encourages thoſe who have ſtood ſteady to that Revolution-Intereſt wrought for us by King *William* of Glorious Memory.

That God may long continue your Majeſty to reign over us, and grant Succeſs to your Forces againſt the common Enemy, is the true and ſincere Deſire of our Hearts.

*To the* QUEEN.

The humble Addreſs of the Magiſtrates and Town-Council of the Borough of *Dunbar* in the Shire of *Eaſt-lothian*; preſented to her Majeſty by *John Cockburn*, Jun. of *Ormeſton*, Eſq; Member of Parliament.

Dread Sovereign,

*WE your Majeſty's moſt dutiful Subjects, the Magiſtrates and Town-Council of the Borough of* Dunbar, *beg Leave to give Aſſurance of our firm Reſolution to ſtand by your ſacred Majeſty and the Proteſtant Intereſt, with our Lives and all that's dear to us, againſt the Pretender and his Abettors, ſupported by the reſtleſs and ambitious Enemy of* Europe, *the* French King.

*We thank your Majeſty in particular for your timeous Care and Concern about us, in ſending* Sir George Bing *with the Fleet ſo ſeaſonably for our Relief, while the Enemy was in our View; and as this is one of the Conſequences of our happy Conſtitution, we ſhall ever wiſh the long Continuance of the ſame, whereby all your good Subjects may reap the great Advantages they promiſe themſelves from your Majeſty's conſtant Zeal for promoting the general Good of your People, and particularly of this part of the Iſland by the Improvement of all our Trade, eſpecially that great Branch of it, the Herring and Cod-Fiſhing.*

*We conclude with repeated Aſſurances, that nothing ſhall alienate our Allegiance to the beſt of Queens, who's Reign will be the Wonder of Ages to come. We heartily pray God preſerve your ſacred Perſon from all your Enemies, and that your Reign over us may be long continued. Dated at* Dunbar *the 27th Day of* March, 1708.

To the QUEEN's moſt Excellent Majeſty.

*The moſt humble and dutiful Addreſs of the Lord Provoſt, Bailiffs, and Town-Council of your Majeſty's Burgh of* Hadingtown, *in the Shire of* East-Lothian, *for themſelves, and in Name of the whole Community of the ſaid Burgh; preſented to Her Majeſty by the Marquiſs of* Tweeddale.

WE your Majeſty's moſt loyal and faithful Subjects, being always under the deepeſt Impreſſions, and moſt lively Senſe of our duty to your Majeſty, cannot but at this time, upon the Occaſion of an intended Invaſion of your Enemies, againſt your Majeſty's Perſon and Government, threatning the Deſtruction of our Country, and of our Religion, Laws and Liberties, and all that is dear to Men, judge it our duty to make offer to your Majeſty of our beſt Services to the moſt of our Capacities, both publick and private, with our Lives and Fortunes; and to adhere to and defend your Majeſty's Perſon and Government, and to maintain the happy Succeſſion in the Proteſtant Line, againſt all Popiſh Succeſſors and Pretenders, eſpecially the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all his Abettors; as alſo to oppoſe the preſent Invaſion, in defence of our Religion, Laws and Liberties, and of your Majeſty's Kingdom of *Great Britain*, to the utmoſt of our Powers: We are and ſhall be ready to obey all your Royal Majeſty's Commands, and that God may long preſerve, and ever bleſs your Majeſty's Perſon, and advance your Reign over us, with all Proſperity and Happineſs, is and ſhall be the conſtant Prayer of, may it pleaſe your Majeſty, your Majeſty's moſt humble, moſt faithful, and moſt obedient Subjects and Servants. Subſcribed, by Warrant, in Preſence, and in Name of the Magiſtrates, Town-Council and Community above-mentioned, by *Alexander Edgar*, Provoſt.

*To the QUEEN's moſt Excellent Majeſty.*

*The humble Addreſs of the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, Commons and Citizens of the City of* Dublin; *preſented to Her Majeſty by his Excellency the Earl of* Pembroke, *Lord-Lieutenant of* Ireland.

WE humbly beg leave to aſſure Your Majeſty, that the intended Invaſion of Your Majeſty's Dominions by a ſpurious Prince, aſſiſted with the Fleet and Troops of the *French* King, have kindled in us the firmeſt Zeal to aſſert Your Majeſty's undoubted Right and Title to the Crown of theſe Realms, againſt all the Enemies of Your Perſon and Government.

We of this City have not long ſince groan'd under the Oppreſſions of a *French* Invaſion; and we aſſure Your Majeſty, that the Remembrance of our former Oppreſſions, together with the Senſe of Duty to the beſt of Queens, ſhall oblige us freely to expend our Fortunes, and to expoſe our Lives, if occaſion be, to the laſt Hazard, againſt the Deſigns and Attempts of the Popiſh Pretender and his Abettors.

And we further deſire to aſſure Your Majeſty, that the Hearts of all Your Proteſtant Subjects of this City are intirely devoted to your Majeſty's Service, tho' the Hands of ſome be reſtrain'd from ſerving in Commiſſion on this occaſion. Given under our Common Seal at the *Tholſell* of the City of *Dublin*, the 24th Day of *March*, *Anno Domini* 1707.

The three following Addreſſes from the Kingdom of *Ireland* have likewiſe been preſented to Her Majeſty.

*The humble Addreſs of the Commiſſioners in a ſpecial Commiſſion of* Oyer *and* Terminer, *High Sheriff, Juſtices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Proteſtant Gentlemen, and Freeholders of the County of* Dublin, *aſſembled at the general Meeting at their County Town of* Killinainham, *for executing the ſaid Commiſſion, and alſo of the Commiſſioners of Array for the ſaid County, on the 22d of* March, 1707-8.

*The humble Addreſs of the High-Sheriff, Juſtices of the Peace, and Militia Officers of the County of* Kildare.

*The humble Addreſs of the Governor, High Sheriff, Juſtices of the Peace, and other the Proteſtant Gentlemen and Freeholders of the County of* Fermanagh; *as alſo of the Provoſt, Burgeſſes and Freemen of the Corporation of* Enniskillin.

To the QUEEN's moſt Excellent Majeſty.

*The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, and Deputy-Lieutenants of your ancient City of* Coventry; *preſented to Her Majeſty by Sir* Orlando Bridgeman *Bar. and* Edward Hopkins, *Eſq; their Repreſentatives in Parliament; introduc'd by the Right Honourable the Earl of* Sunderland.

YOUR Majeſty's Right and Title to the Throne are undoubted, and the Virtues with which you adorn it are ſo conſpicuous, that it would betray as great a Want of Duty and Loyalty not to ſubmit to the one, as of Senſe and Gratitude not to admire the other.

We have ſuch Sentiments of both, that we were the worſt of Men, as well as Subjects, if we ſhould not reſolve to defend a Perſon and Authority ſo Sacred, and both at once ſupported and adorned by uncommon Goodneſs.

We look with equal Indignation and Contempt on the weak and wicked Deſign of your Majeſty's Enemies, and chearfully devote our Lives and Fortunes to preſerve your Majeſty, and ſupport your Government, and the Proteſtant Succeſſion, againſt all the Attempts of the *French* King, and the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and all other your Enemies.

*To the QUEEN's moſt Excellent Majeſty.*

*The humble Addreſs of the Burgeſſes, Inhabitants and Community of the Royal Burgh of* Bruntiſland; *preſented by Sir* Jo. Areskone, *Bar. Member of Parliament, introduc'd by his Grace* James *Duke of* Montroſs.

WE your Majeſty's moſt loyal and dutiful Subjects, being ſenſible of the many Bleſſings we do enjoy under the benign Influences of your Majeſty's glorious Reign, do moſt willingly lay hold on this Opportunity, to teſtifie to your Majeſty the juſt Senſe we have of them, and the more eſpecially in this Juncture, when by the Combination of your Majeſty's Enemies ſupporting a Pretender to your Crown, a threatning Invaſion impended; which by your Majeſty's Watchfulneſs and timeous Care, and chiefly by ſending your Royal Navy unto this Part of your Kingdom, under the Command of Sir *George Bing*, we hope is much prevented, and ſhall be ſoon entirely brought to nothing; and even theſe Enemies made ſenſible, how fruitleſs their Attempts muſt be render'd under the Reign of ſo Excellent a Princeſs.

We beg Leave to aſſure your Majeſty of our Readineſs, with our Lives, and all that's dear to us, to defend your Majeſty's Perſon, and aſſiſt your Government; and we hope your Majeſty's Royal Boroughs ſhall by the late happy Union, which we wiſh may be render'd more compleat, ſo flouriſh by the encreaſe of Trade, that our Zeal, for the Support of your Majeſty's Government, may have ſuitable Means to exert it ſelf under a Reign ſo auſpicious: That God may long preſerve your Majeſty as a Bleſſing to theſe Nations, is our moſt earneſt and heart Wiſh.

*To the QUEEN's moſt Excellent Majeſty.*

*The humble Addreſs of the Magiſtrates and Town-Council of the Royal Burgh of* Coupar; *preſented to Her Majeſty by his Grace the Duke of* Montroſs.

WE your Majeſty's moſt loyal and dutiful Subjects do, with the greateſt Chearfulneſs, take this Opportunity, to return our moſt humble and hearty Thanks to your Majeſty for your tender Care of our Safety, by ſending your Royal Navy under the Command of Sir *George Bing*, ſo ſeaſonably to our Aſſiſtance, when this part of your Kingdom was in ſo great Danger from an Invaſion by a Pretender to your Crown, ſupported with a *French* Power threatning Popery and Slavery: Againſt whom and all other your Majeſty's Enemies, we do aſſure you of our Readineſs to defend your Royal Perſon, and aſſiſt your Government, with our Lives and all that's dear to us. And we hope the happy Union of your Kingdom of *Great Britain*, which we wiſh may be ſtill more entire and compleat, ſhall, by the flouriſhing of Trade and other Advantages, enable all your Majeſty's good Subjects, and your Royal Boroughs in particular, to give Teſtimony of their Zeal for the Support of your Government, in ſome meaſure ſuitable to the great and many Bleſſings we enjoy under ſo glorious a Reign.

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*The Humble Addreſs of the Grand-Jury for the Body of the County of* Derby, *at the Aſſizes held at* Derby, *for the ſaid County, the 15th Day of* March, 1707. *and the Deputy-Lieutenants and Juſtices of the Peace, preſented to Her Majeſty by the Rt. Hon.* Thomas Coke, *Eſq; Vice-Chamberlain, and Kt. of the Shire for the ſaid County.*

*May it pleaſe your moſt Excellent Majeſty,*

WE your Majeſty's loyal and obedient Subjects, humbly beg leave hereby to aſſure your ſacred Majeſty of our ſteady and unfeign'd Zeal and Service for your Royal Perſon and Government, and the Proteſtant Succeſſion; and that we will Endeavour in our ſeveral Stations, the Preſervation of it againſt the pretended Prince of *Wales*, and his Adherents, and all other Enemies and Invaders of theſe, or other your Majeſty's Dominions and Countries whatſoever.

To the QUEEN's moſt Excellent Majeſty.

*The Humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Lord High-Steward, Recorder, Aldermen, Capital Burgeſſes, Aſſiſtants and Inhabitants of the Borough of* Banbury, *in the County of* Oxon; *preſented to Her Majeſty by the Honourable* Charles North, *Eſq;*

*Moſt Gracious Sovereign,*

WE cannot at a more proper Juncture expreſs our inviolable Duty and Loyalty to your Majeſty than when we hear of Deſigns from *France* to invade and ſubvert our Religion, Liberties and Properties, ſo well eſtabliſhed and ſecured to us, under your Majeſty's moſt eaſie and happy Government, by attempting to impoſe on us a Pretender to your Majeſty's undoubted Right to Reign over us. Which, as we are by all the ſacred Obligations of Duty, Loyalty and Gratitude in Conſcience, and likewiſe by our Intereſt bound to preſerve and maintain; ſo we now crave leave to repeat our Aſſurances to your Majeſty, that we will on all Occaſions, as well by our ſelves perſonally, as by the Engagement of our Friends and Neighbours, all united in the ſame Bonds, defend to the laſt drop of our Blood; never doubting of the Almighty's Protection and Succeſs in a Cauſe ſo juſt and honourable, and ſo well becoming all true-hearted *Britiſh* Proteſtants; amongſt whom we crave leave to number your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, who have hereto ſubſcribed our Names, and fixed the Common Seal of the ſaid Borough.

To the QUEEN's moſt Excellent Majeſty.

*The humble Addreſs of the Company of Conſervators of the River* Tone, *and other the Principal Inhabitants of the Town of* Taunton *in the County of* Somerſet, *preſented to Her Majeſty by* Edward Clark, *Eſq; one of the Repreſentatives in Parliament for that Borough, introduced by the Earl of* Sunderland.

*Moſt Gracious Sovereign,*

YOUR Majeſty's juſt Right to the Imperial Crown of theſe Realms, your Exemplary Piety, the Glorious Succeſs of your Arms, and the Benignity of your Government, under which we reckon our ſelves the happieſt People in the World, do unite us in the ſtricteſt bonds of Loyalty to your Majeſty's Perſon and Government; we therefore, your Majeſty's moſt loyal and faithful Subjects, do with the utmoſt Deteſtation, abhor the Principles and Practices of thoſe your Majeſty's Traiterous Subjects, who have, or ſhall any ways Aſſiſt or Abet the Pretender Attainted of High-Treaſon, aſſiſted by a *French* Army to Invade your Dominions, with a Deſign to ſubvert the Government both in Church and State, together with the Proteſtant Succeſſion.

And we do with the greateſt Senſe of Gratitude acknowledge your Majeſty's Vigilant Care, in making ſuitable Preparations for the Security of your Kingdoms; which, together with the great Zeal and Loyalty your Parliament have unanimouſly manifeſted for the ſafety of your Royal Perſon, and ſupport of your Government againſt all your Enemies, hath not only given great eaſe and ſatisfaction to the Minds of all your good Subjects; but alſo a comfortable Aſſurance, that (by the Bleſſing of God) the Deſigns of your Enemies will ſoon be defeated.

We alſo beg leave to aſſure your Majeſty, that we ſhall with the greateſt readineſs and chearfulneſs venture our Lives, and all that is dear to us in this World, in the Defence of your Majeſty's Perſon and Government againſt all your Enemies whatſoever.

May the Almighty God defend your Sacred Perſon from the Wicked Deſigns of your open and ſecret Enemies, bleſs you in your Council and Parliament, give glorious Succeſs and Victory to your Arms by Sea and Land, 'till all your Enemies are vanquiſh'd, and the Peace of *Europe* ſettled on laſting Foundations.

*To the* QUEEN's *moſt Excellent Majeſty.*

*The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Capital Burgeſſes, Common-Council, and principal Inhabitants of your Majeſty's ancient Borough of* Lancaſter; *preſented by* Robert *and* William Heyſham, *Eſqrs; their Repreſentatives in Parliament, being introduc'd by the Right Honourable Mr. Secretary* Boyle.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

HAving the higheſt Regard for the Preſervation of your Majeſty's Sacred Perſon, and Support of your Government, on which our Happineſs depends, we humbly beg Leave to declare to your Majeſty our utter Deteſtation of that contemptible Purpoſe, carried on by the great Diſturber of the Quiet of *Europe*, for the Invaſion of your Majeſty's Dominions, and ſetting up a Pretender to theſe imperial Crowns, to which your Majeſty has an undoubted Right: And with all Humility, take this Opportunity to aſſure your Sacred Majeſty, that no Expence ſhall diſcourage, no Danger affright us from our Duty moſt zealouſly, on this and all other Occaſions, to aſſiſt in the defence of theſe your Realms againſt him and all other Invaders whatſoever. And thereto add our hearty Prayers to Almighty God, that the Contrivance and Attempts of all Enemies to your Majeſty's Government, may be render'd ineffectual; that your Majeſty's Arms may ever flouriſh, and defeat all the Deſigns of the common Enemy, and become the Inſtruments of reſtoring all *Europe* to an honourable, ſafe, and laſting Peace.

To the QUEEN's moſt Excellent Majeſty.

*The humble Addreſs of the Bailiff, and Burgeſſes of Your Ancient Corporation of* Buckingham; *preſented to Her Majeſty by Sir* Edmund Denton, *one of their Repreſentatives in Parliament, introduc'd by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of* Sunderland.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

THE early diſappointment of the Deſigns againſt Your Sacred Perſon prevents even our Wiſhes, and changes the Aſſurances of our Duty into an Univerſal Joy for your Succeſs. That Exemplary Piety which adorns your other Virtues and indulgent Tenderneſs of our Liberties, are the diſtinguiſhing Glories of your Reign; they Unite Hearts as well as Kingdoms in your Defence, and make your Majeſty at once the Delight of Your Subjects and Terror of Your Enemies. The Bleſſings we enjoy under theſe Auſpicious Influences, are ſuch as the happieſt of our Anceſtors might deſire, and ſucceeding Ages envy; theſe are the ſureſt Eſtabliſhments of Your Throne, they advance it to an height unknown to Ambitious Princes, and will ever render their unwearied Endeavours to ſubvert it Fruitleſs and Ineffectual.

The Early Aſſurances your Majeſty has receiv'd from Your Parliament, gives us an entire Satisfaction, that the Endeavours of the Pretender, aſſiſted with the Power of *France*, to ſet himſelf upon Your Majeſty's Throne, are vain and deſperate; we beg leave to aſſure your Majeſty, that we ſhall be ready on all Occaſions to give our utmoſt Aſſiſtance in Defence of your Majeſty's Perſon and Government; and ſhall at all times endeavour to ſend ſuch Repreſentatives to Parliament, as are firmly diſpos'd to ſupport the Revolution and Proteſtant Succeſſion. In Teſtimony whereof we have hereunto affix'd our Common Seal this 29th Day of *March*, 1708.

*All which Addreſſes Her Majeſty receiv'd very graciouſly.*

*Venice, March* 30. *N. S.* We hear from Naples, that 10000 Imperial Horſe are march'd to the Abruzzo. At the Requeſt of the Pope theſe Forces are to advance by Aſcoli into Romagne, where they are to be furniſh'd with all neceſſary Proviſions, for which the Country is to receive punctual Payments. Moſt of the French Priſoners

of